Knowlesville, N.Y. Nov. 17, 1898 His Excellency President McKinley, Executive Mansion, Washington, D.C.

Mr. President,

I have been reading in the newspapers about the mobing of the colored people in Wilmington, N.C., South Carolina and Missippi.

Please do all in your power to stop it, if there needs to be a standing army, please send one there.

Lynching has been going on in the Southern States ever since President Hayes removed the Standing army from the South.

If anything can be done to stop it please inform me by return mail.

Yours Respectfully, Wm. H. Taylor, Knowlesville, Orleans Co., N.Y.